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**Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Bering Sea and
Aleutian Islands; 2015 and 2016 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish**

Correction

In rule document 2015-05041 beginning on page 11919 in the issue of Thursday, March 5, 2015, make the following correction(s):

On page 11921, Table 1 should read:

TABLE 1—FINAL 2015 OVERFISHING LEVEL (OFL), ACCEPTABLE BIOLOGICAL CATCH (ABC), TOTAL ALLOWABLE CATCH (TAC), INITIAL TAC (ITAC), AND CDQ RESERVE ALLOCATION OF GROUNDFISH IN THE BSAI¹

[Amounts are in metric tons]

Species	Area	2015				
		OFL	ABC	TAC	ITAC ²	CDQ ³
Pollock ⁴	BS	3,330,000	1,637,000	1,310,000	1,179,000	131,000
	AI	36,005	29,659	19,000	17,100	1,900
	Bogoslof	21,200	15,900	100	100	0
Pacific cod ⁵	BS	346,000	255,000	240,000	214,320	25,680
	AI	23,400	17,600	9,422	8,414	1,008
Sablefish	BS	1,575	1,333	1,333	567	183
	AI	2,128	1,802	1,802	383	304
Yellowfin sole	BSAI	266,400	248,800	149,000	133,057	15,943

Greenland turbot	BSAI	3,903	3,172	2,648	2,251	n/a
	BS	n/a	2,448	2,448	2,081	262
	AI	n/a	724	200	170	0
Arrowtooth flounder	BSAI	93,856	80,547	22,000	18,700	2,354
Kamchatka flounder	BSAI	10,500	9,000	6,500	5,525	0
Rock sole	BSAI	187,600	181,700	69,250	61,840	7,410
Flathead sole⁶	BSAI	79,419	66,130	24,250	21,655	2,595
Alaska plaice	BSAI	54,000	44,900	18,500	15,725	0
Other flatfish⁷	BSAI	17,700	13,250	3,620	3,077	0
Pacific ocean perch	BSAI	42,558	34,988	32,021	28,250	n/a
	BS	n/a	8,771	8,021	6,818	0
	EAI	n/a	8,312	8,000	7,144	856
	CAI	n/a	7,723	7,000	6,251	749
	WAI	n/a	10,182	9,000	8,037	963
Northern rockfish	BSAI	15,337	12,488	3,250	2,763	0
Rougheye rockfish⁸	BSAI	560	453	349	297	0
	BS/EAI	n/a	149	149	127	0
	CAI/WAI	n/a	304	200	170	0
Shortraker rockfish	BSAI	690	518	250	213	0
Other rockfish⁹	BSAI	1,667	1,250	880	748	0
	BS	n/a	695	325	276	0
	AI	n/a	555	555	472	0
Atka mackerel	BSAI	125,297	106,000	54,500	48,669	5,832

	BS/EAI	n/a	38,492	27,000	24,111	2,889
	CAI	n/a	33,108	17,000	15,181	1,819
	WAI	n/a	34,400	10,500	9,377	1,124
Skates	BSAI	49,575	41,658	25,700	21,845	0
Sculpins	BSAI	52,365	39,725	4,700	3,995	0
Sharks	BSAI	1,363	1,022	125	106	0
Squids	BSAI	2,624	1,970	400	340	0
Octopuses	BSAI	3,452	2,589	400	340	0
TOTAL		4,769,174	2,848,454	2,000,000	1,789,278	197,038

¹ These amounts apply to the entire BSAI management area unless otherwise specified. With the exception of pollock, and for the purpose of these harvest specifications, the Bering Sea (BS) subarea includes the Bogoslof District.

² Except for pollock, the portion of the sablefish TAC allocated to hook-and-line and pot gear, and Amendment 80 species, 15 percent of each TAC is put into a reserve. The ITAC for these species is the remainder of the TAC after the subtraction of these reserves. For pollock and Amendment 80 species, ITAC is the non-CDQ allocation of TAC (see footnotes 3 and 5).

³ For the Amendment 80 species (Atka mackerel, flathead sole, rock sole, yellowfin sole, Pacific cod, and Aleutian Islands Pacific ocean perch), 10.7 percent of the TAC is reserved for use by CDQ participants (see §§ 679.20(b)(1)(ii)(C) and 679.31). Twenty percent of the sablefish TAC allocated to hook-and-line gear or pot gear, 7.5 percent of the sablefish TAC allocated to trawl gear, and 10.7 percent of the TACs for Bering Sea Greenland turbot and arrowtooth flounder are reserved for use by CDQ participants (see § 679.20(b)(1)(ii)(B) and (D)). Aleutian Islands Greenland turbot, “other flatfish,” Alaska plaice, Bering Sea Pacific ocean perch, northern rockfish, shortraker rockfish, rougheye rockfish, “other rockfish,” skates, sculpins, sharks, squids, and octopuses are not allocated to the CDQ program.

⁴ Under § 679.20(a)(5)(i)(A)(1), the annual BS subarea pollock TAC after subtracting first for the CDQ directed fishing allowance (10 percent) and second for the incidental catch allowance (4.0 percent), is further allocated by sector for a pollock directed fishery as follows: inshore - 50 percent; catcher/processor - 40 percent; and motherships - 10 percent. Under § 679.20(a)(5)(iii)(B)(2)(i) and (ii), the annual Aleutian Islands subarea pollock TAC, after subtracting first for the CDQ directed fishing allowance (10 percent) and second for the incidental catch allowance (2,400 mt) is allocated to the Aleut Corporation for a pollock directed fishery.

⁵ The BS Pacific cod TAC is reduced by 3 percent from the combined BSAI ABC to account for the State of Alaska's (State) guideline harvest level in State waters of the Bering Sea subarea. The AI Pacific cod TAC is reduced by 3 percent from the combined BSAI ABC to account for the State guideline harvest level in State waters of the Aleutian Islands subarea.

⁶ "Flathead sole" includes Hippoglossoides elassodon (flathead sole) and Hippoglossoides robustus (Bering flounder).

⁷ "Other flatfish" includes all flatfish species, except for halibut (a prohibited species), flathead sole, Greenland turbot, rock sole, yellowfin sole, arrowtooth flounder, Kamchatka flounder, and Alaska plaice.

⁸ "Rougheye rockfish" includes Sebastes aleutianus (rougheye) and Sebastes melanostictus (blackspotted).

⁹ "Other rockfish" includes all *Sebastes* and *Sebastolobus* species except for Pacific ocean perch, northern rockfish, dark rockfish, shortraker rockfish, and rougheye rockfish.

Note: Regulatory areas and districts are defined at § 679.2 (BS=Bering Sea subarea, AI=Aleutian Islands subarea, EAI=Eastern Aleutian district, CAI=Central Aleutian district, WAI=Western Aleutian district.)

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